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SUBJECT: FY-76 INTERVISITOR: BARA DIOUF

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1. DIOUF ETA REMAINS AUG. 22 VIA PANAM 199. HOWEVER, CONNECTING FLIGHT IS AA 430 ARRIVING WASHINGTON 10:00 P.M. NOT NA 491.

2. POST AWARE DIFFICULTIES GAINING INTERVIEW PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES. HOWEVER, DIOUF MENTIONED PIERRE SALINGER (PERSONAL FRIEND) HAS PAVED WAY FOR CARTER INTERVIEW. THEREFORE FEELS EVERY EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE INTERVIEW FORD AS WELL.

3. IN DEPARTURE MTG. WITH CHARGE, DIOUF RE-EMPHASIZED NEED FOR EXCELLENT INTERPRETER SINCE HE SPEAKS NO ENGLISH. PLANS SERIES ARTICLES UPON RETURN AND WILL RELY HEAVILY ON INTERPRETER.

4. IN ADDITION EARLIER SUGGESTIONS, INCLUDE MEETINGS WITH DEPT. SPOKESMAN FUNSETH OR BROWN.

5. WOULD LIKE TO REITERATE THAT DIOUF IS PERHAPS SINGLE MOST INFLUENTIAL OPINION LEADER IN SENEGALESE MEDIA, AND MISSION WILL BE GRATEFUL FOR ALL EFFORTS BY DEPARTMENT TO ENSURE THAT HIS VISIT TAKES PLACE SUCCESSFULLY.
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